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Jernigan et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1711  
Application No.: 10/796,238 ) Examiner: T. BOYKIN  
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A copy of the listed non-patent literature documents is attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The attached documents form part of the prosecution history of copending Application No. 11,361,655, which is a divisional application based on the present application. A copy of that application is already of record.

**Applicant has not submitted Office Actions from copending Application No. 11/361,487, which is also a divisional application based on the present application. Those arguments, by the present Examiner as well as the former Examiner of the present application, are believed to be cumulative to, if not identical to, arguments made by the same Examiners in the present case. If the Examiner would like copies of those Office Actions, please let Applicant know.**

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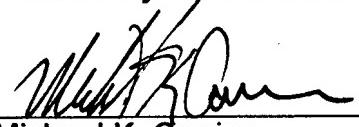
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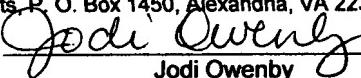
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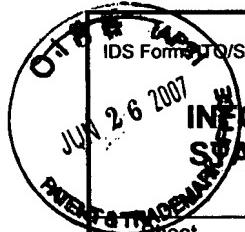
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